

# AESES

October 2014 Vol. 37 No. 5

AESES

AESES Campus Mailing Addresses UM - Mail Room, Services Bldg. UW - Mail Room

> AESES Business Office Telephone: 204-949-5200 Fax: 204-949-5215 E-mail: aeses@aeses.ca

> E-mail: aeses@aeses.ca Web site: www.aeses.ca

# FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



Welcome to the start of the fall term and all the craziness that comes with it. I hope you all had an enjoyable summer and got a chance to recharge your batteries. It seems like there are even more students on campus, with traffic through our halls definitely on the increase. With the onset of this academic year comes the start of

the bargaining process at both the University of Manitoba and The University of Winnipeg. Negotiation Committees have been struck and proposals sought from our members. As we begin to review these proposals, the committees must also talk about the process and how to move forward in the bargaining process. There will be new faces on both sides of the table at each of the universities so there are bound to be some changes. We hope that there can be respectful interchanges at each of the bargaining tables.

Speaking of respect, what does it mean to you? Is it having a voice that is listened to? Is it simple courtesy? Is it thoughtfulness, consideration and kindness? Is it all of these things and more? While it can be very difficult to explain what respect is....it is very clear what a lack of respect looks like. Unfortunately, some of our members suffer in silence. They are too intimidated by those with authority or they, and others around them, just don't want to make waves. They keep their eyes open for a new job opportunity away from their present circumstances, or they just wait it out until their retirement. But really, is that fair? Don't we all deserve to work in a pleasant, well-adjusted workplace?

If you are struggling and need some information, advice and support, give AESES a call. More than anything, please contact us before you take any extreme measures. Lately some of our members have resigned their jobs completely, retired early, or gone on sick leave. Contacting us before you get to your breaking point is simply a good idea. Why not see what we can do for you? Call us at 204-949-5200 or send an email to aeses@aeses.ca.

- Laurie Morris



## IN THIS ISSUE

From the President's Desk	1
Constitution and Bylaw Amendments	2
Contract Administration	2-3
Negotiations	3
New Faces at UM / New Faces at UW	4
AESES Scholarships	4
Children's Christmas Party	

## CONSTITUTION AND BYLAW AMENDMENTS



The AESES Constitution and Bylaws governs the manner in which AESES must conduct itself. Procedures such as the selection of the bargaining team, election of the Executive and the method by which the AESES Board of Representatives is chosen, are all spelled out in the Constitution and Bylaws.

Members have the opportunity to propose changes to the AESES Constitution and Bylaws. Suggestions for changes are reviewed by the Board of Representatives, whose job it is to then present the proposed amendments for a vote at the Annual General Meeting (AGM), which is held each

spring. Member proposals for Constitution and Bylaw changes are also sent out to members who have indicated their AGM attendance, prior to the meeting.

Members attending the AGM constitute a quorum and as such have the authority to vote on changes. This means that whether the AGM is attended by a few or many AESES members, whatever changes they approve will become part of the AESES Constitution and Bylaws, and thus affect the entire membership. If you want to have a say in how AESES is run, or to ask questions, make sure that you attend the AESES AGM, when the time comes.

Please take the time to read through our current Constitution and Bylaws, available for download from our website: http://www.aeses.ca/pages?q=ourorganization

And if you would like to see any amendments made to the Constitution and Bylaws, please submit your suggestions to us via email at aeses@aeses.ca. The deadline for submission of any and all proposed changes for consideration is November 21, 2014.

## **CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION**

#### University of Manitoba

Two Oral Warning grievances were filed for members who were alleged to have performance issues. One grievance was resolved satisfactorily and the outstanding grievance is at the Second Stage of the grievance process.

A grievance was filed for a member who had their sick leave pay stopped as a result of difficulties in the sharing of medical information with the Employer. This grievance was resolved satisfactorily.

A long service member was denied an 8-month leave of absence to complete their second University degree this fall at UM. A grievance was filed on her behalf, challenging the business reasons provided to justify the denial of the leave of absence. This grievance is at the Second Stage.

A non-disciplinary letter was issued to a member for work performance concerns. Our primary concern is that several of the items outlined in the letter were directly related to culpable behaviour. Several years ago we were successful at arbitration in striking down similar letters issued to members. This grievance was resolved to the member's satisfaction.

A grievance was filed on behalf of a part-time worker who failed their probationary period. Part of the issue was that the employee suffers from a recognized disability that was disclosed during the recruitment process. During the probationary period, issues arose as a result of the disability and our assertion is that the department failed to act reasonably and fairly in their consideration of the disability and the impact it had on performance. A Human Rights complaint was also filed by the member. Satisfactory resolution was reached on behalf of the member.

A member who was on layoff was denied a position they had applied to at their former classification. A grievance was filed challenging the decision and that the qualifications the member possessed, or would attain during the 420 hours of re-training rights they were entitled to, would ensure they met or exceeded the minimum qualifications for the position. This grievance is at the Second Stage.

A grievance was filed in the area of Security Services where a senior member was not selected for the role of Second in Charge (2IC). The 2IC is a permanent back-up to the shift supervisor, and in their absence, would carry out all of the duties of the supervisor. This role also receives additional compensation above their normal

Continued on next page...

## **CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION**

Continued from previous page...

wages. Historically the role would have been assigned to the most senior employee on a shift crew, unless serious performance issues existed that would reasonably effect their selection. In this case our member has previously served as a 2IC during a significant portion of their career. This grievance is at the Second Stage.

A grievance was filed for a long service member who was terminated for Unacceptable Behaviour under clause 9.2 of the discipline article. This grievance was resolved prior to arbitration, along with a previously filed disciplinary grievance from 2013.

A grievance was filed for a member who received a one-day Suspension for alleged dereliction of duty. This grievance was resolved satisfactorily.

#### **University of Winnipeg**

A grievance was filed on behalf of a member who received an Oral Warning for allegedly failing to carefully and diligently carry out their duties and responsibilities. This grievance is at the First Stage.

#### **NEGOTIATIONS**

The current Collective Agreement with The University of Winnipeg expires on March 28, 2015, while the Collective Agreement with the University of Manitoba is set to expire on April 4, 2015. Negotiation Committees for both universities have been formed and regular meetings are already underway. The committees will be working on your behalf, to negotiate a new contract which reflects the best interests of our membership.

The following members were elected by acclamation to the position of Member on a Negotiation Committee:

#### **AESES-UM**

District 2: Melinda Sasek (Kinesiology)

District 5: Elizabeth Edmonds (School Of Art)

District 7: Will Christie (IST CNS)

District 15: Alice Foster (Registrar's Office)

District 15: Gloria Saindon (Registrar's Office)

District 16: Mary Kuzmeniuk (Psychology)

District 17: Rob Parker (Dean's Office, Faculty of Arts)

District 20: Gail Mackisey (Williams Law Library)

District 22: Jennifer Gaba (Security Svcs)

District 23: Tessa Madison Manning (Ext Distance Ed)

District 30: Heather Brownlee (Clinical Supp Svcs)

District 31: Karen Simpson (Psychiatry)

District 32: Amanda Penzick (Ctr Aboriginal Health Ed)

District 35: Laurie Anne Vermette (Postgrad Med Ed)

President: Laurie Morris (Philosophy)

Executive Appt: Colleen Thompson (Security Svcs)

Executive Appt: Chris McCann (IST CNS)

Executive Appt: Patti Dickieson (Kinesiology & Rec Mgmt)

Executive Appt: Glenn Bergen (UM Press)

Executive Appt: Gerry Strom (Dean's Office, Faculty of Arts)

AESES Executive Director: Lisa McKendry AESES Labour Relations Officer: Lorne Hilton

#### **AESES-UW**

District 51: Miranda Santolini (Global Welcome Centre)

District 51: Sandra Tolman (Education - W.E.C.)

District 54: Eric Benson (Registrar-Graduate Studies)

District 54: Tanya Anania (Technology Solutions Centre)

District 55: Jacqueline Mikolash (Library)

District 55: Ghislaine Alleyne (CTLT)

District 56: Leslie Uhryniuk (Parking & Printing Services)

UW-VP: Joan Duesterdiek (Technology Solutions Centre)

Executive Appt: Leanne Garland (Financial Services)

Executive Appt: Daniel Matthes (Library)

Executive Appt: Pam Delorme (Biology)

Executive Appt: Brenda Vandekerkhove (Biology)

AESES Executive Director: Lisa McKendry

AESES Labour Relations Officer: Lorne Hilton



# **NEW FACES @ UM**

Semira Alekic

Petra Turcotte

Ruozhi Zhao

#### Courtney Andrysiak Counselling & Career Services Dana Baker Occupational Therapy Ankona Banerjee Community Health Sciences - MCHP Barbara Borges Centre on Aging Iillian Boudreau Medicine - General Office Chiedza Chando Richardson Ctr for Functional Foods & Nutraceuticals Samuel Chard Student Residences Rosa De Stefano Dental Diagnostic & Surgical Sciences Allison Dunfield Education - General Office Yelena Feigis Centre on Aging Erika Hart Research & Special Fund Accounting Sarah Hendricks Centre for Community Oral Health Eliya Ichihashi Medicine - General Office Carol Johnston Extended Education-Aboriginal Focus Pgm Zele Kasse **Purchasing Services** Philippe Kennelly IST - Client Services Maria Koleva Community Health Sciences Daniel Kwan Physiology Chris Lagimodiere Student Recruitment Khuong Le Physiology Alison Loeppky **Biological Sciences** Ilda Medeiros Nursing Deanna Mirlycourtois Book Store - Fort Garry David Mitchell Centre on Aging Cheryl Moser Medicine - General Office Daniel Munro **Biological Sciences** Azel Navarro School of Medical Rehabilitation Shirleen Olazo Medicine - General Office Simon Ovid Medical Education Nigel Repas Student Recruitment Grace Saliga Microbiology Peggy Schwartz Physics & Astronomy Stephanie Smith Athletic Therapy Alex Snukal English, Film and Theatre Shane Stewart English, Film and Theatre Allison Trinidad Law

## **NEW FACES @ UW**

Nursing

Divya Babbar	International Student Services	
Justine Backer	Campus Sustainability	
Lianna Bestvater	Chemistry	
Sayuri Blais-Shiokawa	Athletics	
Jessica Boyachek De	eaf and Hard of Hearing Services	
	Recruitment & Instit'l Relations	
Remi Durocher G	lobal College & Dialogue Centre	
Andree Forest	Campus Sustainability Office	
Cassandra Friesen Faculty of Business, Economics & PACE		
Marc Gomez	Marketing & Communications	
Sangeetha (Rachel) Jacob	Graduate Studies	
Brianna Junor	Campus Living	
Karina Kachur	Biology	
Devon Kerslake	Women's & Gender Studies	
Taisa Matthews	English Language Program	
Grace Medina	Financial Services	
Bryan Mintenko	Athletics	
Samuel Nowicki	Campus Sustainability	
Jennie O'Keefe	Conferences & Event Services	
Cassandra Rhodes	Political Science	
Laura Smith	Student Records	
Jared Star	Education	
Troy Stevens	Admissions	
Daniel Udenwobele	Graduate Studies	
Shaun Williams	Athletics	
Ying Yang	Business & Administration	



## **AESES SCHOLARSHIPS**

We are pleased to announce the recipients of the 2014 AESES Scholarships. Congratulations to the following students:

University of Winnipeg: Keila DePape, Lucas Nguyen.

University of Manitoba: Nahyun Chapman, Jo DePape, Laura Eliuk, Lorelle Juffs, Neil Redpath, Graham Rigby, Stephanie Waddell.

www.aeses.ca



Sunday, November 30. 1:00-4:00pm. Manitoba Room, 210-214 University Centre, UManitoba



- Dependent children aged 10 and younger will receive a free meal and gift.
- Food will be available to purchase for adults and children over the age of 10.
- Deadline for registration is **Friday**, **October 31**. No late applications will be accepted.
- Join us for this annual event!

Name:	Department:	Department:		
Phone #:	Email Address:			
Please print dependent child's name(s):	# of Adults attending (r	# of Adults attending (max 2):		
	□ boy □ girl	Age:		
	□ boy □ girl	Age:		
	□ boy □ girl	Age:		

